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Gentlemen:

I should like to know whether there is any provision by which I could prepare in absentia for an external degree from the Universidad Católica de Chile. I now hold the degree of Bachelor of Arts, granted in 1941, and the degree of Master of Arts, granted in 1947, both from the University of California. In addition to these I am a Registered Professional Engineer (equivalent to a Licentiate), a Fellow of the Institute of American Genealogy, Fellow of the American Heraldic Society, and a member of various other learned societies. In 1945 I received the Atomic Energy Decoration from the War Department of the United States, in recognition of scientific work in the development of the atomic bomb. I have done several years of graduate study and research at the University of California with the highest grades; a transcript of record of this work is available if required.

Now, however, I feel the desire for a broader approach to scholarship and academic qualification than is possible to me in the somewhat limited local circle. During the last several years I have been pursuing three lines of research, any of which would enable me to write a dissertation which I believe would constitute a contribution to knowledge equal to that of the usual doctoral thesis. One of these fields is research and criticism in a particular aspect of modern English literature; another is in psychology and social welfare; and the third is in political science and history.

I should like to know whether a scholarly paper in one of the subjects listed would be regarded as qualifying for one of the doctoral degrees of the Universidad Católica de Chile. I shall be very pleased to receive from you any information or bulletin clarifying these matters, and a statement of the fees and other formal procedures required. In the event that I have not stated sufficient qualification, I shall welcome any suggestion from you regarding the mode of attaining a degree.

Yours very truly,

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